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The Weather

ARKANSAS—Cloudy, preceded by snow in north portion, colder with freezing temperature, Tuesday night; Wednesday partly cloudy, continued cold.

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SUGAR CRISIS OVER, F. D. R.

Hitler Walks on French Frontier on Christmas Day

Fuehrer in Plain Sight of Guns, Say Germans

SOVIET ADVANCES

Claim Victories Over Finns Christmas Day

BERLIN, Germany —(AP)— Authoritative sources reported Tuesday that Adolf Hitler walked across the frontier into France while he was spending Christmas with the German forese in the West Wall fortifications.

It was the first time since 1918 that the fuehrer had set foot on French soil, these informants said.

An authoritative account said that on Christmas Eve Hitler crossed the frontier, which now is no-man's-land but which until a few weeks ago was occupied by the French.

Informants said he would have made an easy target for French guns.

French Report Raids

PARIS, France —(AP)— The French military reported Tuesday the repulse of pre-dawn Christmas raids by German patrols east of the Moselle river.

(The German high command said their troops had taken no action on Chrsitmas.)

The heaviest skirmish, which the French officially described as "serious" began at 4 a. m. Christmas with artillery and mortar preparation.

Russians Claim Advance

MOSCOW, Russia —(AP)— For the first time in several days the Russian land forces in Finland were credited with victories in a Red army communique issued early Tuesday.

It said two battalions of inns had been "surrounded and routed" at Jolomantsi, and that the enemy also suffered a "serious defeat" at Suomussalmi.

The Russians also asserted six Finnish planes were brought down.

British Ship Lost

LONDON, Eng. —(AP)— The British-er steamer Stanholme, 2,473 tons, was reported Tuesday to have been torpedoed and sunk with a loss of 14 lives off the west coast of England.

Ten survivors said the ship had been torpedoed without warning Christmas day.

Mosciclci Ill

BUCHAREST, Rumania —(AP)— Ignace Boscicki, former president of Poland, left Rumania Tuesday for a sanitorium in Switzerland seeking treatment for heart disease.

After a brake relining job in an automobile, a certain amount of brake drag may be noticeable, but this will pass away as the high spots of the lining begin to wear away.

COTTON

NEW YORK—(AP)—New York cotton for March opened Tuesday at 10.82 and closed at 10.89.

Middling spot, 11.29.

MIND YOUR MANNERS

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Test your knowledge or correct social usage by answering the following questions, then checking against the authoritative answers below:

1. Is it necessary for a man to help a girl out of a car, or is this a courtesy reserved for older women?
2. Should a man take hold of a girl's arm when they are crossing a street?
3. Is it a breach of etiquette for a man to comb his hair in public?
4. Is it correct to rest one elbow on the table while talking between courses?

What would you do if—

You are a married woman, and are sending a wedding gift to the daughter of friends.

Would you—

(a) Enclose a card engraved "Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Waldo Smith"?

(b) Enclose your card and write in ink "Mr. and" in front of your name?

(c) Enclose your card and let it it go at that?

Answers

1. He should help a girl.
2. No. But he can offer her his arm.
3. Yes.
4. Yes.

Best "What Would You Do" solution—(a) if you have that type card, otherwise (b).

Nashville Ass'n. to Ellect Officers Jan. 8

The board of directors of the Nashville Production Credit Association at the December board meeting decided upon January 8 for the sixth annual stockholders meeting of the association, according to L. C. Honeycutt, secretary-treasurer. The meeting will be held in the Court House, at Nashville, Arkansas, beginning at 10 A. M.

"The Nashville association has 1050 member borrowers in Hempstead, Howard, Sevier, Pike, Nevada, Clark and Hot Springs counties," Mr. Honeycutt said, "Because of the increased number of members, the widespread interest in cooperative short-term credit and the good records for attendance made by the association in the past years, we are expecting this year's annual meeting to draw the biggest crowd we have yet had. Our program committee is making plans for such a meeting."

North Celebrates White Christmas

Snow and Sub - Zero Weather Sweep United States

LITTLE ROCK —(AP)— Continuation of the bitter weather which prevailed in Arkansas over Christmas was forecast by the Weather Bureau Tuesday.

Cloudbanks yielding rain, snow and sleet Monday night still overhung the state, and more snow was indicatde for north Arkansas Tuesday, with "colder and freezing temperature" indicated Tuesday night.

A steady snowfall began at Fort Smith about mid-morning coasting house tops but melting on the ground.

Fayetteville and Rogers were blanketed with snow Tuesday morning. Pagould experienced the first snow of the season but the flakes also melted as they hit the ground.

By the Associated Press

It was a "white Christmas" in most of the land Monday. Candles burned in the windows and sleigh bells jingled.

Sub-freezing temperatures prevailed in northern United States, and in Montana the mercury dropped to 11 below zero. A snowstorm moved east across northern Pennsylvania and made motoring hazardous. Weather was warm and bright in Florida and South California. Mild conditions were general in the Gulf states.

New York's stowers pointed up into a flurry of snow.

Although winter moved into the Missouri-Kansas area Saturday laying a light mantle of snow and sleet over much of the two states, Monday generally was excellent for Christmas. The weather man, however, forecast resumption of winter ,with cold, more snow and sleet moving in. Highways were clear and open for returning Christmas vacationists.

Holiday Season in Hempstead County Leaves Two Dead

1 Negro Shot to Death; 2nd Dies From Blow On Head

2 CAR ACCIDENTS

Biggest Whisky Still of Year Destroyed Near Patmos

The holiday week-end brought two negro deaths in Hempstead county, one resulting from a shooting scrape on Red river south of Fulton, and the other from a blow on the head as the result of a fight.

The dead:

Buck Beard, 24-year-old negro residing nine miles south of Fulton, who was shot to death by Roy Pennington, 26, another negro. Pennington surrendered and is held in the county jail at Washington.

The second negro death was that of Otis (Streamline) Fezell, 17, who died of a skull fracture two miles south of Hope on the Spring Hill road.

The negro was struck by Clyde McClanahan, white youth, in an alley near the Saenger theater several weeks ago during an argument over the possession of only a few pennies.

The McClanahan boy reported the affair to police. Since that time McClanhan has been convicted on a Dyer act charge and sentenced to three years in a federal reformatory.

The charge resulted from the theft of an automobile owned by James McLarty, and then transported across the state line.

Coroner J. H. Weaver reported that he examined the body of Fezell, with the assistance of Dr. P. B. Carrigan and Dr Don Smith, and that their findings were that Fezell came to his death as the result of a skull fracture two inches above the left eye".

The death of Buck Beard, negro, south of Fulton, resulted from a .22 rifle shot near the heart. It was reported by Sheriff Baker that Beard and the negro Pennington became involved in an argument over a "10-cent debt" and the shooting resulted.

Pennigton came to Fulton, after the shooting, and telephoned Sheriff Baker that he was ready to surrender.

No Serious Accidents

A survey of hospitals and a check no serious traffic accidents during the week-end.

The police register showed a minor traffic accident on East Third street, two petty robberies and the arrest of about half a dozen persons on drunkenness charges.

The sheriff's office reported a minor traffic accident near the airport in which a negro's car overturned on a curve. The negro, who said his home was in Nashville, escaped in-

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War Orders, Federal Spending, a Rickety Foundation for Business, Flynn Declares

Must Find a New Stimulant; Private Investment Lags

10 Million Persons Without Jobs in U. S.

'39 BEHIND '37

Prime Indices Show Current Year Still Lags

The first of three articles
By JOHN T. FLYNN
NEA Service Staff Writer

With the opening of the New Year, Congress will convene. The events of the last year will exercise a powerful influence on its deliberations.

Also the events of the coming year, even before they occur, will bear heavily upon the minds of the law-makers.

These events and factors of the year just closing and the one about to open are:

1. The general business situation.
2. The war.
3. The approaching election.

The business situation is the most important. It is, of course, far less drathatic than a presidential election or a European war. But it is the thing that is influencing our thinking about the war and the election. And it is the most serious matter that Americans can think about.

"Boom" Has Not Materialized

A look at this last year leads to some conclusions. If we adopt 100 as an index figure representing business activity in the first recovery year of 1934, then business activity in the last three years will be pictured as follows:

1937 — 133
1938 — 113
1939 — 126

Thus while business has improved very much compared with last year, it was not quite as good as in 1937.

But this is subject to two modifications: First, while business in 1937 was going down, this year it has been rising. Second, it was substantially higher in the last three months of this year compared with the last three months of 1937.

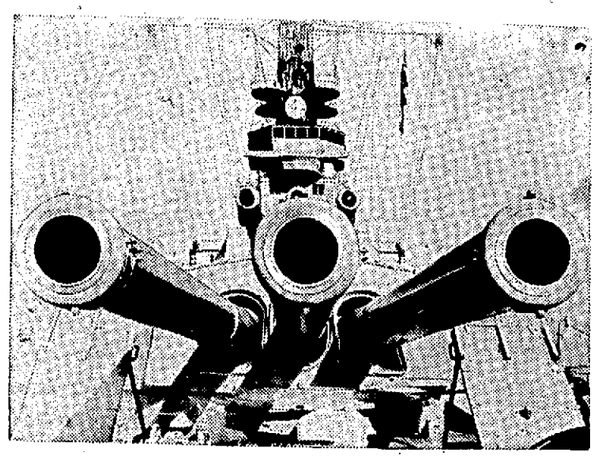
But the very much propagandized "boom" we have been hearing so much about is thus far exaggerated.

The important elements of a good

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Business



War



Elections

Car Stolen in Hope Recovered at Spa

Texan Arrested for Theft of Speedy Hutson's Car

An automobile owned by Andrew (Speedy) Hutson of Hope and stolen here several days ago, was recovered over the week-end at Hot Springs with the arrest of Wayne Poteet, 35, of Paris, Texas.

Poteet was held to the federal grand jury for alleged violation of the Dyer act (transporting stolen automobile over the state line.)

Poteet told officers that he had served 16 months of a five-year sentence for automobile theft, and recently had been released from Leavenworth penitentiary.

Officers said the automobile had been stripped of extras on the car, including spare tire, radio and other items. It was reported that approximately 5,000 miles had been registered on the car since it was stolen.

Poteet admitted he had driven the car through parts of Texas and Louisiana. It was in Texas that he procured license plates which he wired on the car. It was the manner in which the plates were attached to the car that attracted the attention of officers.

Sheriff C. E. Baker, Police Chief Copeland and Huson went to Hot Springs and returned the car to Hope.

Ships Are Lost in Black Sea Storm

Turkish Freighter Goes on Rocks—24 Men Dead

ISTANBUL, Turkey—(AP)—The Turkish freighter Kizilirmak, 2,794 tons, struck the rocks near Sinope during a violent Black sea hurricane Tuesday and went down with her entire crew of 24.

Scores of trawlers and other light craft were missing after the storm.

The world's oldest art is said to be architecture. Earliest dated architectural remains are those of the Babylonians, which date as far back as 6000 B. C.

A Thought

Our Lord has written the promise of the resurrection, not in books alone, but in every leaf in springtime.—Martin Luther.

Ask Church, State Action for Peace

All Denominations Support Roosevelt Peace Plea

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Representatives of Catholic, Protestant and Jewish churches Tuesday acknowledged with gratitude Tuesday President Roosevelt's proposal that government and religion join in working for world peace and the alleviation of suffering arising from war.

Archbishop A. G. Cigognani, apostolic delegate in Washington, wrote the president that Pope Pius desired to assure him that Myron Taylor would be 'cordially received" as Roosevelt's personal representative to the Vatican "in a manner befitting the highly important mission entrusted to him."

President Quizzed on Envoy to Pope

Baptist Pastor Asks 6 Questions of Roosevelt

ATLANTA Ga.—(AP)—The Rev. Louie D. Newton, leading Baptist clergyman here, Monday made public a letter to President Roosevelt in which he asked the executive six questions regarding Mr. Roosevelt's appointment of a "personal representative" to the Vatican.

The president announced Saturday that the former steel magnate, Mayron C. Taylor, would be sent to Rome to promote the "furthering of common endeavors for peace and the alleviation of suffering."

Mr. Newton, pastor of the large, fashionable Druid Hills Baptist church wrote that he was seeking "fuller understanding of this apparently unique policy" and asked: If the salary which Taylor will draw is "to be paid by your personally or by the government"?

If it is to be paid by the government "has there been an enabling act of the Congress authorizing such payment"?

Is the representative to go to the Vatican "as a religious body or as a political entity"?

If as a religious body, would such an appointment be possible under the Constitution?

If as a political entity "has the Congress recognized the Vatican as such"?

Can the president make such an appointment "without thereby officially representing and involving the people of the United States"?

CRANIUM CRACKERS

Picking Synonyms

Take a fling at this little test to match up words with their synonyms. After each word in the first section, write the letter which designates the proper synonym in the second section. When you have made your selections, you should have five words left over in the second group.

1. octagonal . . . 2. moat 3. revilement . . 4. schism . . . 5. trave . . . 6. tympanum 7. ubiquitous . . 8. font . . 9. grampus . . 10. libation . . .

(a) crossbeam, (b) whale (c) alarm, (d) omnipresent, (e) abuse, (f) fat, (g) ditch, (h) ancestor (i) eight-sided, (j) kettle drum, (k) spring, (l) drinking, (m) freedom, (n) division, (o) tray

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Some Dies Blows Show Good Effect

Anyway, Things Happens After Texan Investigates

By MORGAN M. BEATTY
AP Feature Service Writer

WASHINGTON — Martin Dies has flailed the air with many a grotesque haymaker intended for the solar plexus of some "ism" outfit in the United States. He and his committee investigating un-Americanism have also also hit 'em where it hurts—hard.

Mixed in with such telling blows as the indictment of No. 1 Communist Earl Browder for passport fraud, are offers from Strip-Teaser Gypsy Rose Lee to bare all, if only the committee will come to her.

And just when Dies drags in testimony relating supposed immorality in the German-American Bund, and brings Bundster Fritz Kuhn unfavorably into the limelight, one of the committee members mistakes Christopher Marlowe for a Communist, and streaks off, hell for leather, to scalp this terrible red! Too late, he realizes he's jousting with the ghost of a 16th Century dramatist who never heard of Communism.

Then of course, there was Dudley Pierpont Gilbert and the phantom wait er who knew all of America's political and military secrets, but who never could be found. Mr. Gilbert is the fellow who bought himself a $5,000 retreat in Kentuck against the day this winter when the revolution will wipe out the good old United States as we know it.

But the Dies Committee is sure it has done more practical pumpeling on the Reds and the Nazis than either of the other two "ism" hunters in Congress since 1930.

Although the Fish committee of 1930 and the McCormack committee of 1935 gathered interesting testimony and made thoughful recommendations to tighten the restrictions on aliens, both of them missed the boat so far as permanently hurting any of the "ism" boys and their leftwing friends.

With Dies, it's different. He uses the widespread publicity his committe gets to put the political screws on mony of his witnesses.

people whose names appear in the testimony of his witnesses.

Pressure on Madame Perkins

The Bridges case is an outstanding example. As soon as anti-CIO witnesses had testified that Harry Bridges was a Communist and a deportable alien from Australia, Dies accused Madame Secretary Perkins, of the Labor Department, of coddling enemy aliens. She wouldn't hound Bridges until the Supreme Court passed out a definition of a deportable alien. That went on for months. Finally the Supreme Court eased by the question, and at long last this fall, Harry Bridges was brought before an immigration hearing. A decision is now pending.

Publicity is the one wide-open avenue to results for any congressional committee investigating "isms."

The Russo-German non-aggression pact, signed last August, was right down Dies' alley. In no time at all he was howling derisively at those unnatural bedfellows.

"Communazis," he shouted, with an I-told-you-so glint in his eye. And there's little doubt but what that pact gave the Dies Committee added lustre.

Dies has convinced lots of voters that there's bound to be some subversive fire behind all the smoke his witnesses are fanning up. Despite his frank admission that he'd heard quite a few crack-pot witnesses, and his investigating staff was inefficient at first, Congress voted Dies another $100,000 to continue the show through 1939. And it's a 10-to-1 bet on Capitol

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Marketing Quota Restored as Price Is Again Normal

War Flurry That Put Price Up Has Ended

PRICE GOES DOWN

Roosevelt Terminates Suspension of Sugar Quotas

WASHINGTON —(AP)— President Roosevelt issued a proclamation Tuesday restoring the marketing quota provisions of the sugar act.

"I have issued a proclamation Tuesday," the president said, "terminating the suspension of the marketing quotas on sugar, which suspension was made necessary on September 11, 1939 by extraordinary purchases of sugar by consumers immediately after the outbreak of the war in Europe and by excessive speculative activity and the advancing prices which accompanied such purchases.

"Since that time consumer hoarding of sugar has ceased and the price of raw sugar has declined to the price which was in effect before the war."

Davies Appointed

WASHINGTON —(AP)— Joseph E. Davies, American ambassador to Belgium, was designated by President Roosevelt Tuesday as special assistant to Secretary of State Hull to deal with war emergency problems and international trade negotiations.

May Put Bad Car Drivers Off Road

Arkansas One of States With No Safety Act

WASHINGTON —(AP)— A Safety Responsibility Committee has been reconstituted by the American Automobile Association to attempt through legislation to force legally and financially irresponsible drivers off road in the United States and Canada.

The committee meets early in 1940. It must obtain enactment of safety responsibility laws in 14 additional states and one Canadian province, besides seeking improvement of laws in 33 states, the District of Columbia and eight provinces.

Since 1940 is an off-year, only six regular sessions of state legislatures can be approached with the model bill.

States to which the committee, headed by Howard D. Brown of Detroit, will turn are those having no responsibility act of any kind; Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Caroline, Texas Utah and Wyoming.

The bill provides:

(1) For revocation of the license of any person convicted of a major motor vehicle law violation until he can furnish proof of ability to pay for future damages.

(2) For suspension of the license of any driver against whom a judgement for accident damages has been returned until the judgement is paid and bond for future damages is posted.

(3) For an interchange of information to bar outlawed drivers from the roads of every state and provide having responsibility legislation.

U. S. to Keep Japs on Uncertain Peg

Commerce to Be Put on "Day-to-Day" Basis

WASHINGTON —(AP)— The uncertainty which now hangs over Japan's trade relations with this country will be let hang there for months to come.

When the commercial treaty with Japan, abrogated by Secretary Hull, expires January 26, a 'modus vivendi' may be negotiated. Such a temporary arrangement might call for continuance of most-favored-nation treatmeat, meaning that the United States will accord Japan all the commercial concessions it grants other nations and Japan will do likewise.

But the vital difference between a treaty and a 'modus vivendi" is that the latter is on a day-to-day hand-to-mouth basis and can be determined by either party at a moment's notice —or no notice at all. And so Japan will be made to understand.

There are about 14 to 18 square feet of skin on the average adult human body.

SERIAL STORY

BLACKOUT

BY RUTH AYERS

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CHAPTER I

BLACKOUT in London!

Outside, the shaft in Trafalgar Square loomed like a ghost, towering and dim.

Inside, in a restaurant on a nearby street, blue bulbs cast eerie shadows on two figures.

You could see at a glance that Mary Carroll and Vincent Gregg were Americans, and Americans in love.

"Maybe this time next week we'll be back in New York," Mary said. "It'll be heavenly to see Broadway blazing in lights after all these weeks of blind man's buff. I've had enough war to last a lifetime."

Vincent chuckled. "Well, we'll have something to tell our grandchildren—yours and mine, I mean. You and I fleeing like refugees from Paris and being here in London in blackouts. It'll be quite a yarn to spin from a rocking chair."

Mary smiled slowly. "Funny, isn't it," she mused. "You're already talking about our grandchildren and a few months ago we hadn't even met. It was all so strange, our meeting in Paris. I never could have believed that first day that you, my dashing, romantic soldier of fortune, would ever want to settle down."

"But I do," he said convincingly. "Never thought myself that I'd love a gal more than a war. But here you see the evidence before you. Our passports in order, our tickets bought for the Moravia. And all I want now is to get back to New York and marry you. I'll find a job making planes instead of flying them. You'll live in a

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Mary screamed as she fell. . . . "Steady there!" a strange male voice cautioned. Mary felt strong arms holding her, glimpsed a smiling face above her as the flashlight's beam outlined her.

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It Might Have Been s

But for the grace of God, it might have been us. Fate directed the Nazi pocket battleship Admiral Graf Spee into the port of Montevideo. It might just as easily have steered it into New York harbor.

When the crippled warship steamed into the harbor a few days ago, Uruguayan authorities would have given their shirts if they had not suddenly been tossed into the middle of an international complication. Uruguay had done nothing but sit still. It was far away from the battlegrounds and felt immune. And then, without warning, it discovered the scene of conflict had quickly shifted to its very front door.

What would the United States have done if the Admiral Graf Spee had tied up in New York, or San Francisco, or New Orleans? How would we have handled this ticklish problem? The war is not over. The same thing can happen over and over again. We had better prepare ourselves.

What all of the Latin-American republics need—and this includes, above all, the United States—is a firm, unequivocal rule concerning belligerent vessels in American territorial waters. It must be a definite, unflexing agreement—one that the belligerents of both sides will understand clearly. It must be a law that makes action automatic without regard for the nationality of the vessel in question.

Brazil already has such a law. It provides simply that any warship of a belligerent nation will be interned the moment it enters Brazilian territorial waters. Uruguay was reportedly examining this law when the Spee limped into Montevideo. Had the law been passed and broadcast before no argument. The commander of the Nazi ship would have known what he was in for the moment he entered the harbor.

It cannot be argued that a crippled ship is entitled to haven in a neutral harbor during the period required for repairs. If a fighting ship cannot safely make a home port, it has been vanquished and the nation whose flag it flies should submit gracefully to defeat. It is conceivable that a boat might put into a harbor as a tactical way of escaping further assault by enemy vessels. It is hinted that the Spee might have done this. A neutral nation cannot be expected to lend this kind of assistance to belligerents.

It is desirable that Pan-America as a whole adopt a rigorous policy. Unquestioned internment would probably be best. Such conduct would permit no loopholes. But whatever method is agreed upon, it should be unanimous. It would do little good to have only part of our neutral continents insulated. An "incident" in Uruguay is as much a threat to Brazil, even to the United States, as it is to Uruguay itself.

We must adopt such a policy soon. Tomorrow or the next day there may be another battle, this time just off the coast of Florida. A German or a French or a British ship may duck into an American harbor. Without an established formula, how would we handle the case?

• THE FAMILY DOCTOR

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Yessir! Times Have Changed Since 1680 When Preparing Yuletide Feast Was Work

The remarkable idea recently occured to Miriam Birdseye, nutritionist for the U. S. Department of Agriculture, to contrast a Christmas dinner as prepared in 1680 with an average Christmas dinner prepared in an American city today.

We hear and read of the days when a 30 or 40-pound turkey could be bought for 25 cents—not a pound, but complete. Here is a Christmas dinner of 1680 on a plantation of the Maryland tidewater.

The menu included oysters on the half shell, turtle soup, ham, venison, turkey and ducks, potatoes, sweet potatoes green vegetables, jellies conserves and pickles, pumpkin pie, mincemeat, apple pie, custard, coffee, and sweets. There were also cider and "divers wines and spirits." All of these materials had been collected from local sources of production. Except for the choicer liquors and the sugar it is doubtful that any of the food was purchased.

Now for contrast look at a modern Christmas dinner in an American city. Everyone being assembled except for the usual couple that is always late, the host begins serving the cocktails that have been bought ready-mixed. The hors d'oevures come prepared in cans and the little crackers on which they rest come all nicely baked in boxes.

The oysters and the soup also come in cans. Just heat and serve!

Now for the turkey. If the housewife wants to do so she buys it quick-frozen in a bag, thaws it in her electrical refrigerator, stuffs it with bread, butter, parsley, and poultry seasoning all purchased in packages or cans. The cranberry sauce comes prepared in a can; the vegetables come quick-frozen and are ready after 10 minutes cooking.

The fresh vegetables for the salad are purchased, but the dressing, already mixed, is perfectly blended by an expert manufacturer. The pies are made with canned pumpkin, canned mincemeat or other mixtures, put on an already prepared pie-mix, and garnished with individual cheeses out little tinfoil wrappers. Or the hostess can have canned plum pudding, which is delicious, or get her ice cream shipped from miles away in dry ice. Even the raisins and nuts come ready mixed in cellophane, the coffee, ready ground, sealed in vacuum packages.

Hundreds and hundreds of human hands all over the world have done all the work that the housewife and her helpers in 1680 used to do alone in their own kitchen. The prejudices once held against packaged and canned goods no longer exists.

New food laws, government inspections, and the work of great numbers of competent and authoritative agencies which protect the consumer have made possible the miracle of the modern city Christmas dinner.

BAND LEADER

HORIZONTAL

1 Famous band leader pictured here.
14 Ostriches.
15 Chamber.
16 Brought up.
17 Little devil.
18 Embroidered.
19 Peruses.
20 Chart.
21 Point.
22 Whirlwind.
23 Type standard.
25 Like.
26 Inlet.
27 Wing.
28 To pursue game.
29 He was a composer of ——.
31 Tipster.
33 High mountain.
34 Frozen dessert.
35 To suffice.
36 Northeast.
37 Musical note.
38 Preposition.
39 Excused.
44 Marsh.
45 Work.
47 Kiln.
48 To challenge.
49 Tanning cistern.
50 Bow of a boat.
51 Aphids.
52 Copper.
53 To become bankrupt.
54 Grayish-green color.
56 Star-shaped flower.
57 He was —— of the U. S. A. Marine band.

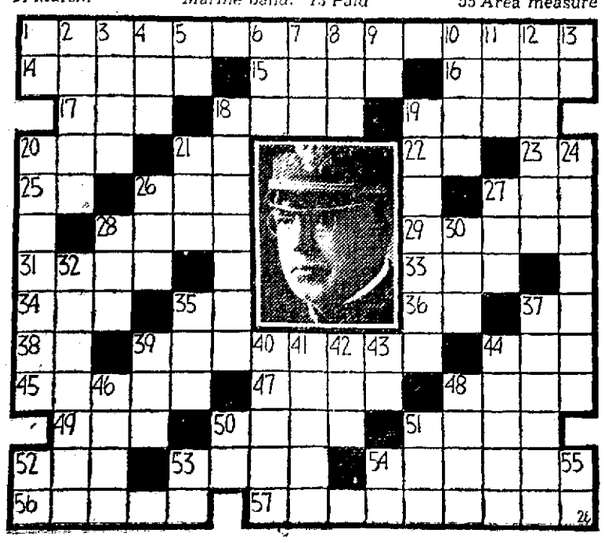
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REINDEER

VERTICAL

1 Junior.
2 Buckeye trees.
3 Fiber yielding plant.
4 Pile of cloth.
5 Postscript.
6 Wrath.
7 Opposite of high.
8 Electrified particle.
9 Afternoon.
10 Instrument.
11 Decorative pitcher.
12 Horse fennel.
13 Paid publicity.
18 Depot.
19 To order.
20 His —— compositions are still popular.
21 Brooch.
24 Engine.
26 Old wagon track.
27 Snake.
28 Color.
30 Rubber tree.
32 Groups of eight.
35 Male bee.
37 Worm.
39 Folding bed.
40 Rustic.
41 Molding.
42 Recent.
43 Type measure
44 Gem face.
46 Cordage fiber.
48 Flat plate.
50 Father.
51 Coin.
52 Lava.
53 France.
54 Road.
55 Area measure



Answer to Cranium Cracker

1. octagonal: (i) eight-sided; 2. moat: (g) ditch; 3. revilement: (e) abuse; 4. schism: (n) division; 5. trave: (a) crossbeam; 6. tympanum: (j) kettle drum; 7. ubiquitous: (d) omnipresent; 8. font: (k) spring; 9. grampus: (b) whale; 10. libation: (l) drinking.

IN NEW YORK

By GEORGE ROSS

NEW YORK — Rialto Roundup. Maurice Evans is back in town for a short stay with his marathon "Hamlet" (the uncut version which requires approximately three-and-a-half hours to play, which evens things up with the almost four-hour running time of "Gone With the Wind."

And Fredric Lonsdale who usually provided the stage with fashionable hits (like "The Last of Mrs. Cheyney") sneaked in with a political stage cartoon called "Foreigners" that was kicked around merrily by the boys from the Drama Critics' Circle.

Paul Osborn, the playwright who gave Broadway a recent success, "On Borrowed Time," just gave it another one in "Mornings at Seven," a play that is chiefly unusual because its least important characters are youthful. It is a homspun vignette of the lod folk who are weary of being cooped up in their senility and want to Get Away from it All. Perhaps the finest tribute paid it was Robert Benchley's who said: "I would have been very proud to have written it or to have played in it."

Now They Pay for "$4.40 Stuff"

Talking about the entertainment world, one often reads in fiction, but rarely sees transfmuted to real life, the situation of chorus-girl-becomes-star-overnight or burlesque-comic-gets-Broadway-chance.

The latter really happened, though. For years Phil Silvers played up and down Times Square at the dingy burlesque houses that dot that district. He was obviously far superior to environment but no one did anything about it. One of his lines used to be to inform the audience that they were getting "$4.40 stuff."

Lew Brown, the producer, dropped into one of the burly houses out of curiosity and saw Silvers perform. He signed him immediately as the comedy star of a current hit, "Yokel Boy." Oddly enough, Silvers now does much the same type of humor he did in burlesque, only the customers are paying around the $4.40 mark.

Funniest line in the show is his effort to enter a film studio in Hollywood. "I'm an executive," he says. "How important?" queries the doorman. "Brother-in-law," retorts Phil.

Ungallant, But True

Theodore Dreiser, who is taking a sabbatical from literary chores, told a lecture audience the other night that soon he will be at work on a book of philosophy. "Is it about women?" a doting miss inquired. "Darling, retorted Dreiser, "without women there would be no need for philosophy!"

It's Bert Nevins' notion that in Europe, they have re-armed all but the Venus de Milo!

I like the inscription over the bird sanctuary in Gramercy Park. "On this sit," says the text, "stands a building dedicated to the care and comfort of its tenants."

BARBS

Police departments in certain Pennsylvania counties are going to file laundry marks to assist them in identifying clothing of criminal victims. There should be some job opportunities for Chinese interpreters.

A baby slept peacefully while a storm nearly demolished the house. Yet, daddy probably can't tiptoe through the hallway for a glass of water without starting riotous howls.

A Canadian mayor closed up the city so tight that an angry woman complained she couldn't even place a $2 bet. Practically grounds for recall proceedings.

It is now revealed that P. T. Barnum was himself a sucker, having been stuck for $10,000 in a phony copper mine scheme. Maybe that's how he happened to think of that wisecrack.

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LOST—Female Liver Spotted Pointer. Collar without name. Ernest May, Buckner, Rt. 1. 26-3tp

Found

FOUND—Package of oil and gas leases on land in Hempstead and Columbia counties, apparently owned by N. C. Foster, B. A. Quillin or Will Griffith. Owner may obtain same by paying for this ad. 22-3tc

The reign of Charles I of England gave us the word "pin money." Pinmakers gave this monarch 500 pounds annually for his good will, and he turned the sum over to his queen for her private use.

Palestine's Dead Sea contains no living creature, since it is too salty for life. Its chemical contents have been estimated to be worth more than $1,200,000,000,000.

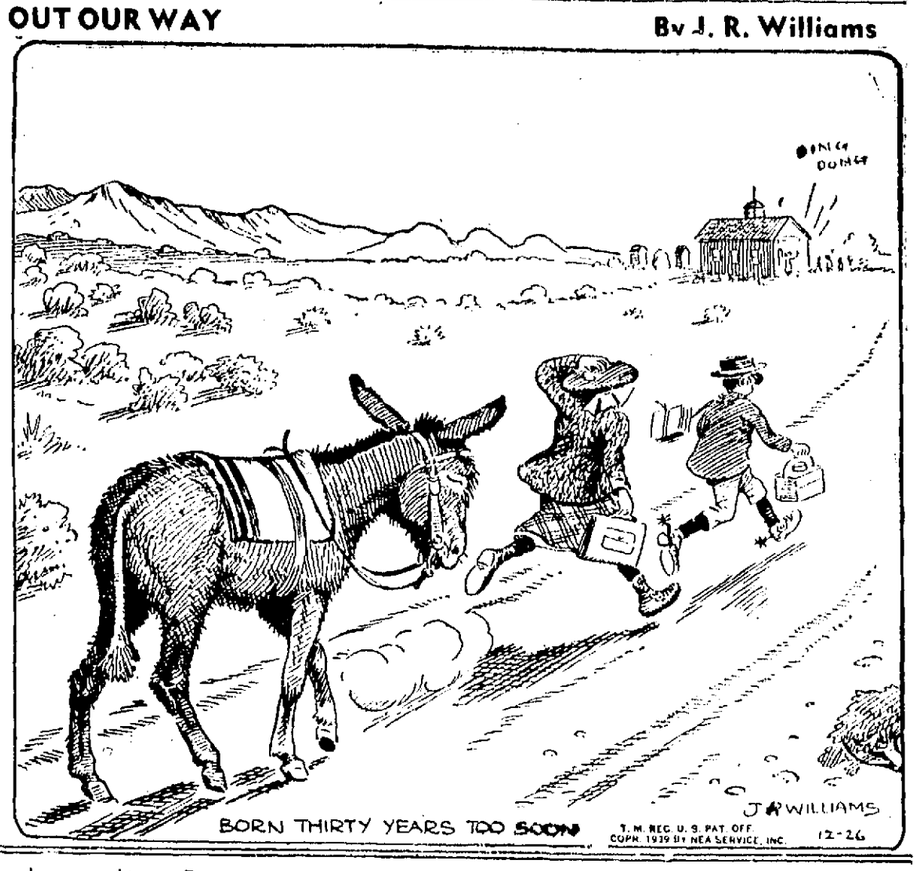
"Old Faithful" was the name of a horse that produced $175,000 worth of diphteria antitoxin.

The use of too heavy an oil will cause an automobile engine to overheat.

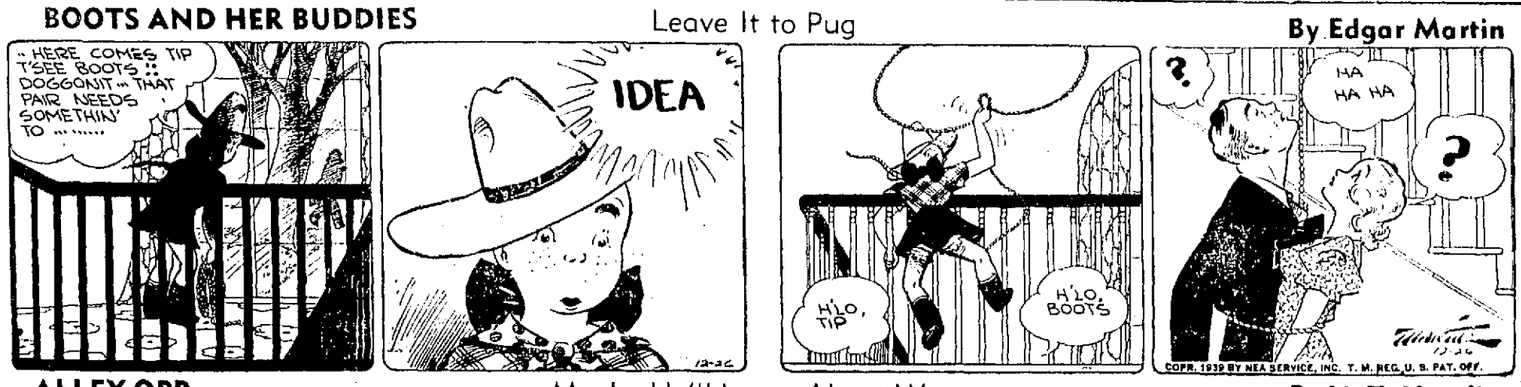
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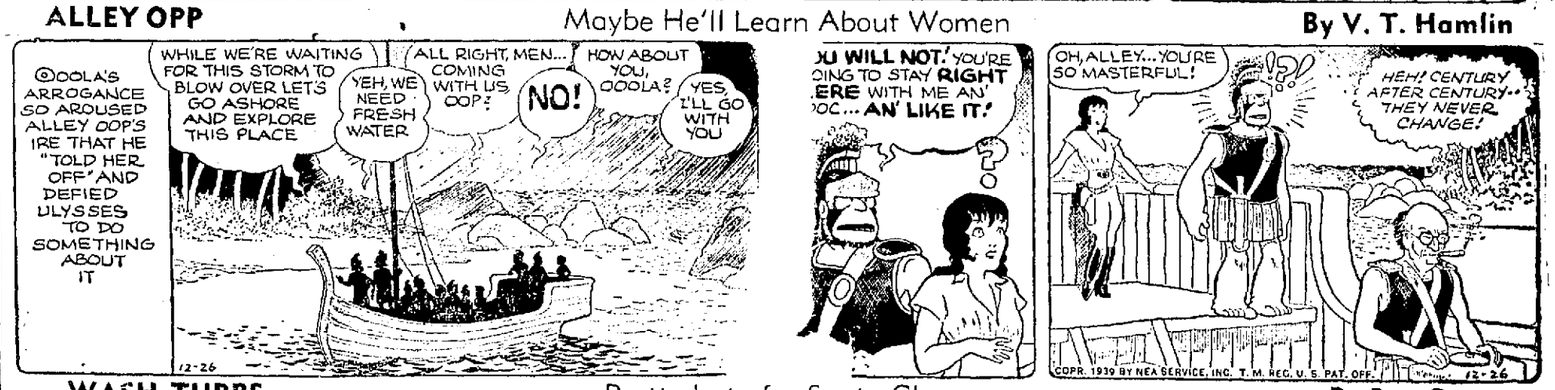
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— Selected

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Carter and daughter Betty of Monroe, La. and Miss Happy Pritchard of Little Rock were Holiday guests of Mrs. Elizabeth Pritchard.

—O—

Miss Josie Anderson of Little Rock and Mrs. J. L. Jamison, who has spent the past ten months in the Northern States and East Coast arrived Saturday for a visit with Mr. and Mrs. Roy Anderson and other relatives.

—O—

Miss Elizabeth Green of the Texarkana high school faculty is the holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Green and other home folks.

—O—

The Friday Music Club held its annual Christmas Tree Party Friday evening at the home of Mrs. A. C. Kolb, South Main street. Despite the raining evening, cheer and festivities reigned throughout the rooms, which were beautifully decorated in the Christmas motif. The activities opened with a Professor Quiz broadcast by the different members, thereby conveying much amusement and knowledge to the out side world. Other contests testing the mentalities of the group were used throughout the social hour, were directed by Mrs. J. C. Carlton, a brilliant Christmas tree with flashing lights and tinsel graced the center of the library table, which was piled high with gifts for each member. Beautiful music accompanied the distribution of the gifts, after which a most tempting sandwich plate was served with hot coffee.

—O—

Stuart Spragins of Little Rock is the holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Spragins.

—O—

Miss Lenora Routon of Shreveport, La. is the holiday guest of her mother, Mrs. Ralph Routon and other home folks.

—O—

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Laseter and daughter, Betty Jean have returned to their home in Little Rock after a Christmas visit with Mr. and Mrs. Webb Laseter sr..

—O—

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Casey had as Christmas Day guests, Mrs. Casey's, parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Jackson of Texarkana, and brother, J. E. Jackson of New Orleans and sister, Mrs. David Watts and Mr. Watts and Miss Edney Ruth Watts of Texarkana.

—O—

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Maxwell of Tyler Texas are Holiday guests of Mrs. Ollie F. Maxwell.

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Announcement is made of the marriage of Mrs E. M. McCoy 507 south Pine street of this city to Mr J. J. Sewell of Texarkana. The marriage was solemnized in Texarkana on Friday December 22, with the Reverend Westbroko officiating. Mrs. McCoy a well known Hope nurse was associated with the Josephine Hospital for seven years, resigning to do private nursing in and around the city. For the past two years she has been associated with the Hempstead County Health Work. Mr. Sewell is well known over Arkansas, having served as Judge of Miller county for six years. He was associated with the State Highway Department in 36 and 37. After a wedding trip to New Orleans, La., Mr. and Mrs. Sewell will be at home in Texarkana, where Mr. Sewell has business interests.

—O—

Frank Ethridge of Horatio is spending the Christmas vacation with his sisters Mrs. W. Y. Foster and Miss Mabel Ethridge.

—O—

John Clyde Hill of the State University, Fayetteville is the Holiday guest of his mother, Mrs. Clyde Hill and other home folks.

—O—

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Andrews and children of McAllen, Texas are spending the holiday with Mrs. Andrew's mother, Mrs. C. V. Jagersfeld and other relatives.

—O—

Mr. and Mrs. John Riggsdill had as Christmas Day guests, their daughter, Mrs Glen Coker and Mr. Coker of Bearden, Ark.

—O—

Mrs. Dorsey McRae jr. spent Christmast Day with relatives in Little Rock.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dorsey McRae sr. have as Christmas house guests, Mr. and Mrs Bruce McRae of Little Rock and Mr. and Mrs. William Glover and son Dorsey David of Malvern.

—O—

Joe Broyles of Washington City is the Holiday guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Broyles and other relatives.

—O—

Mrs. C. F Somers of Vernon, Texas, spent the Christmas holidays with Mrs Lila Somers and children and other relatives of this city.

—O—

Miss Bernice Erwin has returned to her home in Hope after a few weeks visit with friends and relatives in Little Rock.

—O—

A Christmas dinner was served at the home of Mrs. Boyce Arnett, 1020 East Second street, the occasion being besides Christmas, the first reunion of the family of Mrs. G. W. Gilbert, sr. Those present were:

Mrs. G. W. Gilbert, sr. her mother, Mrs. Boyce Arnett; Mrs. Callie Hatsfield and 3 children; Mr and Mrs. G. W. Gilbert, jr. and two children; Mr. and Mrs. Datton Gilbert and four children; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Logan and three children; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Gilbert; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Gilbert and son from Colorado; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Gilbert and four children of Texarkana; Mr and Mrs. Leslie Hudleston also of Texarkana.

CARD OF THANKS

We take this method of thanking our friends and neighbors for the kindness and sympathy shown us during the illness and death of our mother, Mrs. W. P. Yeager. We also express our appreciation for the many floral offerings.

The Yeager Family

Books made by the natives of the interior of Persia even today have pages of palm leaves, with the words inscribed with a pointed instrument.

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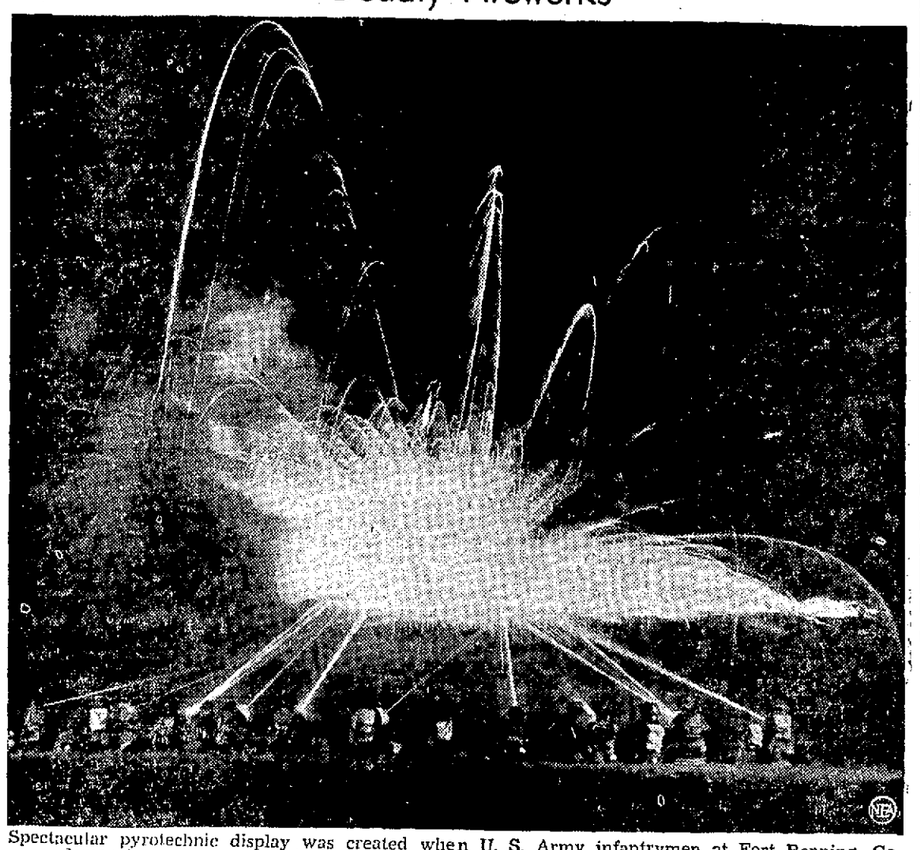
BUY! Through the WANT-ADS

Steinbeck's 'Okies' Immortalized—in Celluloid



Here's a preview of how the wandering Joads and their fellow derelicts in John Steinbeck's bitter novel, "Grapes of Wrath," will appear on the screen. At left, Russell Simpson, as Pa Joad, gloomily surveys his barren table. At its other end, the indomitable Ma Joad (played by Jane Darwell) buttons the shirt of the rampageous Grandpa (Charlie Grapewin).

Deadly Fireworks



Spectacular pyrotechnic display was created when U. S. Army infantrymen at Fort Benning, Ga., demonstratetd massed machine gun fire—with tracer bullets—against a mythical enemy.

SERIAL STORY

BLACKOUT

BY RUTH AYERS

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(Continued from Page One)

little house with a rose garden and forget all about what the well dresed woman is wearing."

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MARY CARROLL was 23. She'd been one of the most promising stylists ever sent to Paris by a New York firm. It had been a thrilling assignment. Orphaned at 12 when her mother and dad were killed in an automobile accident, Mary had no ties at home. She'd thrown her slim, vibrant self into the job of making a famed career as a fashion designer.

But in September, Mary had been caught in the net of mobilization when Europe went to war. Fashions were forgotten.

It was at this turbulent time that she had met Vincent Gregg. She had gone to a party given by a young count who was closing his Paris villa so it might be used as a hospital for wounded soldiers. Vincent was among the guests.

That very first minute, Mary knew that love had burst like a star shell upon her. In a world turning upside down, she needed someone to cling to—and Vincent had been the one.

At the start, there had been the agonizing fear that as soon as Vincent was fully recovered he would enlist again. She couldn't bear to leave him. With all her countrymen fleeing for home, Mary had remained in Paris to be near Vincent.

And then, just a few days ago, all had been changed. Vincent had said, "We're going home, darling. I've had enough years of barnstorming and flying for whatever flag offered the most excitement and money. I love you and I want to marry you." Simple and direct, just like Vincent.

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NOW they were here, Vincent and Mary, in the London restaurant. They'd crossed the English Channel with several of Vincent's friends and were waiting to take passage home on a British ship. Sailing dates were kept secret because of spy activities, but it was certain they would be leaving soon.

"It all seems unreal, doesn't it?" Mary asked as Vincent leaned across the table to light her cigaret.

Vincent looked at Mary. She was every bit as piquant and style-wise as mannequins she had sketched in Paris. But no pencil sketch, as Vincent had often told her, could do justice to the maize-colored hair or the morning glory blue of her eyes. Tonight she wore a gay dress with a saucy bustle bow. It followed the lines of her slim body and against the bright fabric her fair skin glowed like opal.

"As long as you're real, nothing else matters," he unswered, after a pause.

Her smile flashed tenderly. "Something tells me I'm crazy about you."

To Mary at that moment, it seemed as if nothing could ever come between them. Not blackouts, nor bombing planes, nor evacuation orders. As she reached for his hand, she sensed a stir in the room.

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TURNING, she saw a regally slender woman sweeping in. Mary watched as the woman slowly surveyed the diners in the dim light of the blue-green blackout bulbs. The stranger's gaze rested, at last, upon Mary, then Vincent. Then as her glance met his in recognition, she bowed slightly and with a lazy smile, turned and followed the waiter to a table at the far side of the room.

The intimacy of the glance she had exchanged with Vincent gave Mary a feeling of vague foreboding. She shook it off. She said, "I think you're going to have a very jealous wife, Vincent. I'm seething at the way that gorgeous woman looked at you. Who is she?"

She noticed Vincent lacked his usual aplomb as he answered, flurried, "Why, darling, that's the famous Carla Marchetta."

"Oh—and should I know who she is?"

"Heavens, yes. You've seen her picture often enough in the society columns. She's a rounder-upper of celebrities."

"And you, my love—are you one of the celebrities she's been rounding up?"

Vincent's black brows came together in a frown, but there was a trace of pride in his voice as he said, "Well, I've been to Carla's house in Mayfair, if that's what you mean."

Mary sensed that Carla's narrowed eyes were still on Vincent, but she couldn't be sure in the blue-black light. Nor could she account for the uneasiness that Carla's glance had aroused in her. With relief she saw the waiter approach with coffee.

Then her eyes widened. Distinctly, she saw the waiter slip a card into Vincent's hand. Turning to her fiance inquiringly, she saw Vincent glance at the card. His face was inscrutable when he looked up. Mary waited for an explanation. When he said nothing, she thought, "This is what war nerves do to people. I'm being jittery about nothing."

And then it happened!

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THE card, the waiter, even the glamorous Carla were blotted from Mary's mind that instant. Real terror instead of an imaginary one chilled her blood.

Outside, a piercing siren wailed. It meant only one thing. The air raid for which London had been gearing itself for months was here.

"Quick! Run for shelter!"

It was as if everyone in the restaurant spoke in one voice. The dim lights snapped off and the room was plunged into inky blackness except for the beam of the hand flashlight pointing the way to the basement door.

Then she reached for Vincent's hand. He was not at her side. "Vincent!" she gasped. "Vincent!"

Outside, the siren continued its screaming warning. It beat in Mary's ears. Trembling, breathless she was left alone as the crowd pushed toward the stairs. Suddenly, her knees gave way and she felt herself falling—falling, into the gaping darkness.

Mary screamed. "Steady there!" a strange deep male voice cautioned. In the dark, Mary sensed a pair of unfamiliar arms lifting her and the rough brush of a trench coat against her cheek.

She caught a glimpse of a smiling face above her as the flashlight's beam paused momentarily upon her. Two other persons were watching.

(To Be Continued)

Bruce Catton Says:

"Heat" Is on House to Halt Budget Cuts

By BRUCE CATTON
NEA Washington Correspondent

WASHINGTON—Although the heat is on for reduced expenditures as never before in the history of the New Deal, there are grounds for suspecting that when the dust settles the budget will look quqite a bit the way it looks now.

It is certain that the President gives every indication of being determined to slash the budget. Budget bureau workers who reduced various department and bureau estimates to what they thought was absolutely rock bottom have been startled to find the White House cutting them still further.

But congress votes the money, after all. And in some fields, at least, there is going to be plenty of pressure on congress to be liberal.

Farmers Still to Be Heard From

Take agriculture, for instance. Estimates for the department as a whole (not counting the AAA program) are said to be coming down 25 per cent at the President's insistence. But the farm organizations can be depended on to howl long and loud over that sort of thing, and Congress can be depended on to listen.

And while no Agriculture Department employes would dare protest publicly at reductions ordered by the President, you can't keep them from quietly seeing to it that the farm organizations understand the full weight of the cut.

An illuminating case in point occurred just the other day. Appropriations for the National Youth Administration are scheduled to drop by 30 per cent, according to reliable reports. But at the same time these reports were beginning to circulate, a group of industrial, educational and labor leaders were issuing a report declaring that there should be an immediate increase in public expenditures to take care of the nation's 4,000,000 jobless youths. A commitee headed by Henriman, former head of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, was named to study the mater and recommend to Congress the amount of money needed.

Pressure Needed to Trim Budget

If, then, the White House submits a drastically reduced budget, and congress — acting under pressure from "back home" and from this, that and the other pressure group—puts the budget back up to something like its present size, what happens? Well, in that case, the President (who will by that time be sternly on record for cutting expenditures) won't have to listen to so much balance-the-budget talk from critical congressmen at the national political conventions next June.

You can get a pretty good line on how things are going by watching the administration leadership in the house and senate during the coming season. A welltrimmed budget handed in by the President won't mean much, unless it is followed up by steady, determined pressure for economy on the floor and in the committee rooms.

Drink Problem solved at Embassy

The "liquor crisis," which the war brought upon the German embassy, has been solved at last.

The Washingtonians who attend the embassy's parties like to drink things like whisky, sherry wine, champagne and so on. The embassy laid in a big stock of such things last summer; then the war came, and the embassy people realized that their stock had been bought almost entirely in England and France. And it simply wouldn't do to serve "enemy" drinks.

A way out was found when the embassy was able to make a swap with a Washington liquor dealer, who took the English and French wares off the embassy's hands and gave it a full stock of American products in return. So now the embassy's guests drink American whisky, wine and champagne.

WASHINGTON — Attorney General Murphy's investigation of the activities of foreign agents in this country is expected in some quarters to be a counter-weight to the work of the Dies committee.

To put it mildly, Martin Dies has not endeared himself to the administration. The President has been represented as determined to drive Dies out of public life. Whether or not that be so there is no doubt that the administration would be happy to see the committee's work ended.

Early this fall, a number of influential people in the administration suggested that the wind could be taken out of Dies' sails if J. Edgar Hoover's G-men were turned loose on a full-dress investigation of Communists and their creed. The argument was that the G-men have such a reputation that the country at large would accept their report as complete and final.

If, as was expected, this report should show that the Communist menace" was much less extensive than the Dies group was saying it was, then the committee would be in a bad light and Congres could be persuaded to refuse it an extension of life this winter.

This proposal was not too cordially received at the Justice Department. It was pointed out that the G-men couldn't very well make a straight investigation of Communism, since after all it isn't against the law to beling to the Communist party.

All the G-men could do would be to look into actual violations of the law. Besides, it was added, the G-men numbers were limited and they were pretty busy on other matters.

Now Attorney General Murphy reveals that a preliminary investigation has been going on since last May and will come to a head in a short time.

It is not an investigation into Communism or into the party; it is a study of the work of foreign agents in this country, and is concerned with law violations — illegal use of passports, espionage, sabotage, failure to register under the foreign-agents statute, and so on—rather than with the extent and activity of any one party or group.

Would Halt More Dies Appropriations

Nevertheless, the anti-Dies group in the administration is hoping that out of this investigation will come material that can be used to brink work of the Dies committee to an end when its appropriation expires at the end of this year.

It is banking on the chance that this sort of argument can be made to Congress:

"Sure, the Dies committee has done a useful job, but the preliminary work has been done now. We have enough general information about the Communists and the Nazis. What is needed now is a criminal investigation that can determine exactly where and how the law is being broken and can bring the law-breakers to justice.

"A Congressional committee can't do that; the Department of Justice is doing it. It has already obtained such an-such results, so the thing to do no wis stop making sensations and let the official law-enforcement arm of the government do its job."

In spite of all of this the indications at present are that Congress is likely to be in a mood to extend the Dies committee's life. It ought to be borne in mind that Dies has had the strong support of Vice Prseident Garner during the past year.

On one occasion, it is said, Garner spoke up in a cabinet meeting to defend the Dies committee. And the Garner influence in the House of Representatives is still powerful.

HIGHLIGHTS FROM LATEST BOOKS

Novel by Hough Reflects Hatreds of 1776 Period

A man's book for a cold winter night, a blazing fireplace and a comfortable chair, is Frank O. Hough's new story of the American Revolution, "If Not Victory" (Carrick and Evans: $2.50). There's no romance, but its thrilling action never slows.

"If Not Victory" is the story of Tories and Patriots of Westchester county, the "Neutral Ground" of the Revolution. Their's was the unhappy lot of a people caught in the crossfire of war. They were damned if they supported the cause of American independence and damned if they did not. Lifelong friendships were broken by differences in opinion.

Hough has taken the majority of his characters from actual history and all of his incidents and descriptions are historically authentic. His hero Abe Kronkhyte, is a thinly fictionized count erpart of Cornelius Oakley, a member of the Westchester Guides.

Abe was the son of a Quaker, a peace-loving old York state man, who valued his neutrality above all else. Abe's own views were slightly pro-British, influenced by the decision of his friend, young Squire Hilton, to join the Tory Provincials. But a recruiting officers who got Abe drunk and a narrow escape from hanging at the hands of his own friends changed Abe's mind and he signed to guide the American rebels through Westchester county.

The wealth of the book is not in Abe's story alone. The contrast of war in 1776 and war in 1940 is deftly suggested. You will be amazed at the traitorism and greed that flourished on both sides.

The tragic story of the settlers of the Neutral Ground, their farms raided by Patriots and British, shows the steady growth of hatred that ultimately welded the colonists into a fighting army that could not be denied its freedom.

Legal Notice

IN THE COUNTY COURT OF HEMPSTEAD COUNTY, ARKANSAS

In The Matter Of the Consolidation Of School District No. 56, Hempstead County, Arkansas, to and With School District No. 12 Also Located in Hempstead County, Arkansas.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, That a petition has been filed in the County Court of Hempstead County, Arkansas, purporting to be signed by a majority of the Qualified electors of School District N. 56, Hempstead County, Arkansas, known as the Oakland School District praying that said district be dissolved and that the territory now enbraced therein be annexed to and with School District No. 12 known as the Washington School District, of Hempstead County, Arkansas; and that a hearing on said petition will be had on the 1st day of January, 1940,at1:30 o'clock P. M., by said Court at City Hall in Municipal Courtroom in the City of Hope Arkansas, and all interested electors within the districts and territory aforementioned shall have a right to be heard thereat, either for or against the prayer of said petition.

This notice is given pursuant to the order of said Court made and entered on December 18th, 1939.

Witness my hand and seal this 18th day of December, 1939.

E. E. AUSTIN
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Versatile Attack Gives Texas Aggies Edge Over Tulane in Sugar Bowl Game

By HARRY GRAYSON
NEA Service Sports Editor

Tulane had the most devastating running attack in collegiate football in 1939.

Texas A. and M. had the tightest defense.

So it would seem that their Sugar Bowl game in New Orleans, Jan. 1, would be something in the nature of an irresistible force against an immovable object with neither side getting anywhere in particular.

It will be a bruising battle. That much is certain, but both figure to score, and I like Texas A. and M. because its offense is a bit more versatile.

In Texas A. and M. and Tulane, the Mid-Winted Sports Association, sponsor of the annual Sugar Bowl show, believes it has for the second straight campaign landed the outstanding New Year's Day game.

Add this trip those behind the New Orleans production figure they have a pair of clubs that will furnish an engagement as thrilling as was the one turned in by little Davey O'Brien, Ki Aldrich, Insull B. Hale, George Muha, Merlyn Condit, Ray Carnelly and the rest, Jan. 1, 1939.

Texas A. and M. Holds Its Foes to 76 Yards per Game

The game brings together the two top teams of the nation, according to a number of rating systems and a larger number of football authorities.

Texas A. and M. held foes to an average of 76 yards per game. The running attack of Aggie enemies averaged only 41.2 yards per contest . . passing only 34.8.

Home Hill Norton's athletes yielded only 18 points in 10 skirmishes. Santa Clara settled for a field goal. Villanova scored a touchdown and a point. Texas Christian shoved over a touchdown. A safety was the most Southern Methodist could do.

Tulane has tackled no club as tough as Texas A. and M.

But neither have the Aggies been called upon to stop an array with the ground attack generated by Lowell Dawson's Green Wave.

Tennessee averaged 296.1 yards on the turf. Wake Forest 290.3 and Tulane was third among major aggregations with 286.2.

A comparison of the schedules, however, convinces anyone that Tulane's 286.2 with only one soft spot . . Sewanee . . . is vastly more impressive than Tennessee's 296.1 with Sewanee, Chattanooga, Mercer and The Citadel on the program. The same is true, in a lesser degree, about Wake Forest.

Tennessee is unscored on, but yardage figures and the schedules give Texas A. and M. a defensive bulge.

Powerful Tulane Varsity Practically Ignores Pass

Like most of the other topnotch teams of 1939, Texas A. and M. as well as Tulane is a power combination.

It is power which enables Southern California and Tennessee passing to click. The same was true of Cornell, Ohio State and Oklahoma.

Tulane is a power-plus team. Red Dawson, who was schooled by Bernie Bierman of Minnesota, practically ignores the pass. He appears to consider it as nothing more than a desperation weapon . . . rarely even fakes using one.

The Greenies roll their tremendous power at the tackles. They steamrollered the length of fields inclosing minutes after rivals had stood off their drive for the greatest part of scraps.

Despite two lines averaging more than 200 pounds and two sets of backs so evenly matched that there is a division of opinion as to which is superior. Tulane does not go in for high scores. This is not charity, but system. The Olive and Blue takes its gains in short bites.

Coach Norton of Texas A. and M. is an advocate of a similar type of game. He has scaled the heights with a hard-hitting plan that is the antithesis of the pass-crazy style commonly associated with the Southwest Conference.

The Maroons pass more than the Greenies . . . even run to the lateral now and then, but generally are content to get gains through rushing and to play for a single touchdown.

Both teams are studded with brilliant players.

Texas A. and M. has blasting backs in All-America John Kimbrough and Derrace Moser and an iron-sided blocker in Jim Thomason.

It has something with which to hold a line in an array of forwards headed by Joe Boyd, a savage tackle, and Marshall Robnett, a jarring guard.

Paul Krueger directs the Tulane attack with the same intelligence Red Dawson exhibited under Bernie Bierman. Bob Kellogg, a junior is one of several swivel-hipped backs.

There are other towering figures in the Tulane line in addition to the six-foot four-inch All-America tackle. Harley McCollum. Ralph Wenzel plays plenty of end. Tommy O'Boyle is a truly great guard.

The Texas A. and M. and Tulane varsities sing 'Hit 'em again, boys! Hit 'em again boys! Hit 'em again, boy,. harder!"

And really mean it.

Development of the two-row radial engine as a power plant for airplanes goes back to the period before the World War.



John Kimbrough



Bob Kellogg

Grayson Picks Troy to Keep Record Intact Against Vols

By HARRY GRAYSON

Southern California is this observer's choice over Tennesse in what promises to be one of the greatest of Rose Bowl games in Pasadena, Jan. 1.

The Trojans are numerically superior and will be higher than a kite for the Volunteers, of whom they have read and been told so much.

I agree with Elmer Layden of Notre Dame that George Cafego, the fine tailback, isn't likely to be of much good to the Orange Coats after being out with a bad knee for the best part of the campaign.

Cafego may start but injuries of his type usually result in a football player going out the first time he is hit hard, which is what happened in the West Virginian's case against both Kentucky and Auburn.

Cafego's absence will not necessarily fatal to Tennessee, for four splendid backs back him up . . Buist Warren. Johnny Butler, Bernard O'Neil and Van Thompson.

Spoiled Duke's Record in Last 10 Seconds

But as well fixed as Major Robert Reese Neyland is for replacements. Howard Harding Jones has more and better men.

Tennessee has won 23 consecutive games and hasn't been scored on this fall, but a remarkably strong Duke club went to the Tournament of Roses unscored on a year ago. The Blue Devils, thanks to the brilliant punting of Eric Tipton, kept their record clear until the last 10 seconds of play.

It was not until then that Doyle Nave completed a fifth consecutive pass to Al Kreuger to win for the home guards.

That's the story of the Trojans. When they can't beat you on the ground, they take to the air with passing by Grenville Lansdell and Nave as superlative as you could hope to see.

Vols May Be Going Bowl A Year too Late

I repeat that the young men of Knoxville may be going to the far west one year too late.

As good as they are now, critics who have followed them closely assert that they were much more formidable in 1938 when they climaxed a smashing campaign by pasting a big and strong Oklahoma outfit in the Orange Bowl.

The crashing Cafego was in full stride then and the club misses the end play of Wyatt, the 1938 captain, and Hunter, and the former's leadership. They lost a splendid tackle in Woodruff, and not a few considered the graduated Babe Wood superior to Cafego. The latter softened up the enemy and then Wood ran through.

Now the Vols are without a sound Cafego and there is no Wood.

Tennessee employs a single wingback formation. shifting to right or left with a balanced line. Sam Bartholomew, the blocking back and signal-caller, is unique in that about a yard in back of the strong side guard he laces own backfield instead of the defensive team most of the time.

The advantage of this formation, it is pointed out, is that it enables Bartholomew and another blocking back to crack a defensive end at the same time.

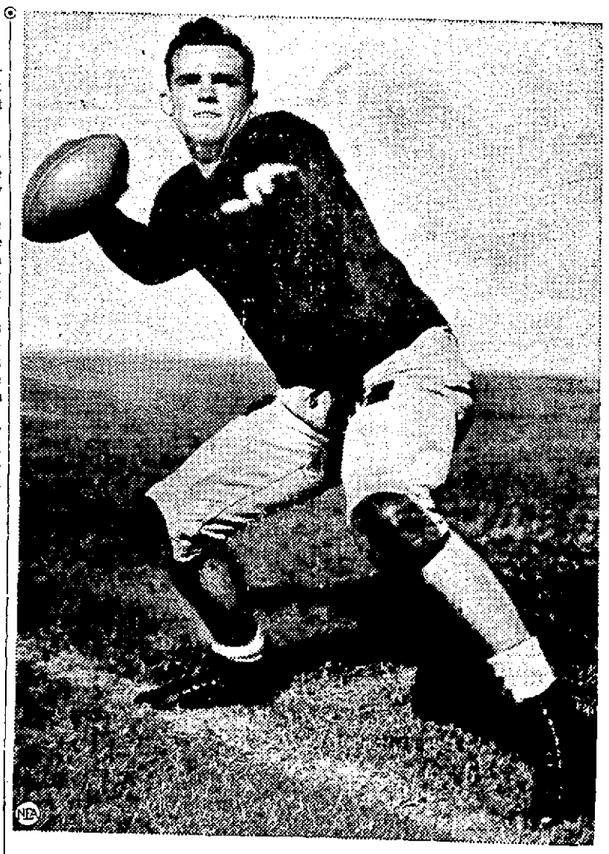
Southern California shifts an original nine-man line into a variety of formations. such as single wing right or left. short kick with backs strong to right or left. and a 5-1 line with the short side end in the backfield.

Southern California and Tennessee are the soundest of football teams coached by masters of the drill.

But Troy appears to have a little too much of everything, not the least of which is individual brilliance.

George Cafego was an amazing football player a year ago, but as capable as he was, I doubt that the Tennesse players have ever seen a back with the all-round ability of the great Grenville Lansdell.

But everybody concerned will know that they have been in a football game before the last shot is fired in the Arroy Seco on New Year's Day afternoon.



Grenville Lansdell



Bob Foxx



Must Find a New

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business index are industrial production, building construction, retail sales, freight car loadings and bank debits.

The chief rise in business activity in the last four months has been in industrial production. Taking 1934 as 100, the highest point reached since then until now was 152 in May and June, 1937. But in November of this year this figure was topped. It reached 154.

Prime Indexes Lag Behind 1937

Here are some figures comparing the other factors in the last three years. Only eleven months are included in each year:

Building: 1937, $3,322,547,000; 1938, $3,199,000,000; 1939 $3,381,000,000.

Department store sales: 1937, 115; 1938, 104; 1939, 110.

Car loadings: 1937, 127.6; 1938, 99; 1939, 113.

Bank debits: 1937, 120.6; 1938, 109; 1939, 141.

Thus we see that while there is a marked improvement over last year, wheih was a bad year, we are in most fields behind the totals of 1937, which was not so good as 1936. But here again we must note that the last half of the year showed a rise.

Need War Orders and Federal Spending

On the score of forecast, the followiny would be a careful and cautious statement of the situation: During the year private investment as revealed in security issues and building operations did not show the improvement necessary to justify a rise in business activity from that source. Building was slightly better but not enough to be important, bu securiy investment was less than in either of the two preceding years—less indeed than in any year since 1936.

Whatever impulse business has received, therefore, has come from government expenditures and from the expenditures of states and cities. Federal government expenditures were largely increased over 1937 and 1938.

Whatever outlook there is, therefore, for a rise in business next year, looking from this point, is dependent wholly on continued government expenditures and war orders.

New Congress Faces Dilemma

It is with this problem that congress is confronted as its new session opens.

Does it wish to accept private investment stagnation as an irremedial fact and therefore commit the country to dependence wholly upon government expenditures of borrowed funds and to the hope of another boost from war business?

Or does it wish to look upon both these sources of business as unwholesome, dangerous to the security and peace of the nation? If it does, then the greatest problem which will face it is to look into the question of substituting some other stimulating force for a war boom and for further government borrowing.

These three facts stand out:

First, the economic problem of the nation remains completely unsolved. There are still around ten million unemployed.

Second, private investment is practically at dead center.

Third, the government has spent on the depression to date, since 1930, over 25 billion dollars.

NEXT: What can Congress do to remedy our economic ills?

Some Dies Blows

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Hill that Congress will give him another $100,000 for curtain calls in the critical election year of 1940.

That's $225,000 for a five-foot shelf of Un-Americana.

Tomorrow: Is Martin Dies playing 1940 politics?

With the

Hempstead Home Agent

Mary Claude Fletcher

The Centerville Home Demonstration Club met and elected officers and leaders for 1940. They also appointed meeting places for 1940. They are as follows:

President, Mrs. P. F. Campbell; Vice-President, Mrs. G. A. Linaker; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Earnest Cobb; Reporter is not yet elected; Clothing Leader, Mrs. Arville Phillips; Home Industries, Mrs. G. A. Linaker; Food Preservation, Mrs. R. L. Jones; Food Preparation, Mrs. Mamie Sanders; Landscape, Mrs. H. E. Patterson; Poultry, Mrs. Arl Fincher; Better Homes, Mrs. Earnest Cobb; Government and Taxation, Mrs. P. F. Campbell; Home Management, Mrs. O. B. Jones; Gardening, Mrs. Harvey Henry; Child Care, Mrs. Herbert Clark; Dairy, Mrs. Arl Fincher; Recreation, Mrs. Sid Skinner, Mrs. H. E. Patterson;

Meeting Places for 1940:

January, Mrs. O. B. Jones; February, Mrs. Earnest Cobb; March Mrs. G. A. Linaker; April, Mrs. Trville Phillips; May, Mrs. Arl Fincher; June, Mrs. H. E. Patterson; July, Mrs. P. F. Campbell; August, Picnic; September, Mrs. Mamie Sanders; October, Mrs. Sid Skinner; November, Mrs. R. L. Jones; December, Mrs. Herbert Clark.

The Centerville Club will have as its regular meeting date the second Monday in each month. The next meeting will be January 8 in the home of Mrs. O. B. Jones.

The Old Liberty Home Demonstration Club met and elected the following officers:

President, Miss Evelyn Harrison; vice President, Mrs. Chester Rosenbaum; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. J. E. Mosier.

Chairman of the committees and leaders havent' been appointed as yet. A call meeting will be hel dsoon for this purpose. The Old Liberty Club will meet, beginning in January, on the second Friday of every month. The Decemebr meeting will be Thursday, December 21st.

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with . . Major Hoople



Holiday Season in

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jury. He was enroute to Hope at the time of the mishap.

Sheriff's officers also were called to McCaskill where a drunkenness case was reported.

The two Hope hospitals, Julia Chester and Josephine, reported that they treated no patients for violence or accidents during the week-end.

Big Still Captured

Sheriff' officers continued their raiding activity of whisky stills, capturing the largest one of the year Sunday morning in the Bodcaw bottoms three miles west of Patmos.

It was the 24th still destroyed in the county this year, and also the largest. It was a 65-gallon copper outfit, connected with a six-barrel vat. Nine barrels of mash were destroyed. One gallon of whisky was taken.

The still was "spotted" last Friday, but at that time was not in operation. Officers returned to the scene Sunday morning, found the still in operation by a negro who fled through the woods and escaped as officers approached.

Raiding officers were Deputy Sheriff Tom Middlebrooks, State Police Porterfield and Federal Officer Jess Quillian.

ELKHART, Ind.—(AP)—Officers, believing they had spotted a bootlegger, followed a man seen walking around every morning with a sack full of quart jars. They finally trailed him to an out-of-the-way shed where they found him milking a cow.

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